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Early week prices were higher on all sizes except New York where prices were unchanged. As the week progressed, New York prices were higher on the larger sizes but were unchanged on the mediums while all other areas, prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was generally fully steady to firm. Retail and food service demand was moderate to very good. Supplies were adequate to balanced and confidently held. Breaking stock prices along with check and undergrade prices were unchanged. Offerings were in a full range of closely balanced to fully adequate with a light demand. Schedules were mostly full-time. Trade sentiment was steady. Light type hen offerings were adequate for the fairly good demand. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices were 0-5 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were 3 cents higher for large. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was firm. Retail demand was moderate to good where featured. Loose egg sales were moderate. Supplies were adequate for current needs and still held with confidence. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light while offerings were in a full range of closely balanced to fully adequate. Schedules mostly full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

### RANGE MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	46-55	50-52
LARGE	46-54	48-51
MEDIUM	34-40	37-39

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, western NY, and western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged, however the larger sizes were trending higher. Trade sentiment ranged fully steady to firm. Retail and distributive demand was moderate to good, best where featured. Large dozen eggs were on special for 29 cents, with coupon. Supplies were adequate to close and held with increased confidence. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient and demand was noted as light to moderate. Offerings of spent hens were generally adequate for processing needs.

### RANGE MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	53-67	54-59
LARGE	48-62	53-57
MEDIUM	35-48	40-42

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, and VT

## COMBINED REGIONAL

Nov 05, 2004

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	51.00	49.00	37.00
SOUTHEAST	50.50	48.50	35.00
MIDWEST	45.00	43.50	34.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	51.50	49.50	36.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	49.58	47.70	35.67

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	11-09-04	11-02-04	11-10-03
Large	28-36	23-30	81-85
Medium	16-21	13-17	67-71

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-NOVEMBER 08, 2004

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/

(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO	SO	5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	12.9	16.0	6.2	14.2	11.0	60.3
	Change	0.3	-1.1	-0.8	0.4	-0.8	-3%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.1	45.6	11.5	35.2	36.0	150.4
	Change	-3.3	-15.4	-7.0	3.8	-2.3	-14%
Large	Curr Wk	64.5	111.0	68.6	138.0	97.2	479.3
	Change	-9.3	-23.1	-15.5	13.4	-14.1	-9%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.4	47.9	16.8	25.3	29.1	133.5
	Change	1.6	1.4	0.9	4.7	-1.8	5%
Small	Curr Wk	3.9	24.4	3.5	6.0	5.2	43.0
	Change	-0.6	3.9	0.6	0.8	-4.2	1%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.4	28.5	8.9	16.8	8.5	67.1
	Change	-1.3	0.1	1.5	1.7	2.9	8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	29.0	39.5	26.4	51.1	25.3	171.3
	Change	-4.2	-4.1	-3.2	9.0	-0.9	-2%
Total	Curr Wk	151.2	312.9	141.9	286.6	212.3	1104.9
	Percent Change	-10%	-11%	-14%	13%	-9%	-6%

## TOTAL

Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	1104.9	-6%	173
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	250.1	1%	35

Total Shell Egg 1355.0 -4% 208  
1/ Information supplied by a universe of 173 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

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Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 06-NOV-04**  
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,289,205	31,473	12,429	6,712	2,448	4,556
PW	1,320,598	31,525	13,003	7,118	2,601	4,628
LY	1,184,793	30,515	10,000	5,465	1,590	4,226
% CHG PW	-2	0	-4	-6	-6	-2
% CHG LY	9	3	24	23	54	8
2004	54,637,968	1,296,181	526,797	284,604	119,577	187,556
2003	51,530,682	1,262,679	466,681	253,881	102,474	184,344
% CHG YTD	6	3	13	12	17	2
			<b>CURRENT</b>	<b>PREVIOUS</b>	<b>LAST</b>	
<b>AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -</b>			<b>WEEK</b>	<b>WEEK</b>	<b>YEAR</b>	
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)			42.79	42.61	42.38	
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)			39.26	39.11	38.81	

**BROILER HATCHERY**

	<u>Broiler Eggs Set,</u> <u>19 Selected States</u>		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed,</u> <u>19 Selected States</u>	
	Week Ending			
STATE	Oct 30 2004	Nov 06 2004	Oct 30 2004	Nov 06 2004
	THOUSAND			
AL	27,822	28,200	20,203	20,375
AR	27,423	27,142	23,670	22,860
DE	3,500	3,809	5,463	5,694
FL	1,345	1,355	1,563	1,495
GA	*31,686	30,586	*26,515	24,702
KY	7,010	6,728	*5,947	5,064
LA	*3,983	3,982	*3,578	3,418
MD	8,547	8,504	4,728	4,244
MS	17,752	18,722	16,567	16,207
NC	17,604	17,058	13,216	13,802
OK	5,698	6,255	4,813	5,460
PA	*3,901	3,890	*2,784	2,581
SC	4,415	4,387	4,538	4,359
TX	*14,480	14,795	*12,356	11,513
VA	5,987	6,274	5,103	4,909
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*16,756	17,545	*15,665	15,401
19 State Total	*197,909	199,232	*166,709	162,084
Previous Year Total	192,346	201,076	160,094	153,618
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	99	104	106

\*Revised

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 18-Dec-04 is estimated at 151.3 million head. This compares to 152.6 million head the previous week and to 145.8 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 156.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 65.77 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES**  
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 04, 2004-NOV 10, 2004

LOADS:	CURRENT	59.75	FUTURE	79.00	TOTAL	138.75
	SE	NE	MW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST
GNR W 1	35.00	39.62	32.83	34.57	--	--
GNR W 2	--	--	--	--	--	--
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	33.00	--
GL W J	--	--	55.00	55.00	46.00	56.00
GL W XL	--	45.00	46.75	49.51	43.50	--
GL W LG	--	50.67	47.00	49.67	47.33	48.17
GL W MD	34.00	34.00	23.00	27.00	27.13	30.00
GL W SM	--	24.00	23.58	25.75	19.38	20.75
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	30.00	30.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	20.00	21.33

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

W/E 06-Nov-2004

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Thousands)	LW	PERCENT CHANGE LW	LY
Atlanta	28.8	31.0	-7	-4
Boston	3.2	3.1	3	-16
Chicago	61.7	60.1	3	21
Detroit	37.4	25.5	47	26
Kansas City	8.4	3.7	127	33
Los Angeles	95.6	95.4	0	4
New Orleans	9.0	7.5	20	2
New York	32.3	30.9	5	14
St. Louis	19.1	19.3	-1	-11
San Francisco	21.3	19.7	8	12
Total	316.8	296.2	7	9
4 Week Moving Avg.	298.4			

**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

W/E 06-Nov-2004 BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG TURKEYS				TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT CHG	AVG LIVE		OLD BANDED	AVG LIVE
-THOUSAND HEAD-		PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-		WT
North East	851	9	22.25	(A)	852	22.25
South Atlantic	773	-1	30.20	(A)	773	30.20
North Central	2,231	-1	31.12	(A)	2,231	31.12
South Central	667	3	18.91	(A)	667	18.91
West	690	0	23.05	(A)	690	23.05
U.S. total	5,212(B)	1	26.92	1	5,213	26.92
To-date						
2004	192,331(B)			311	192,642	
To-date						
2003	208,330(B)			566	208,896	
(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.						
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 46,000 for the current year to date 2,316,000; for last year to date 2,842,000						

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**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 06-Nov-2004

	<b>YOUNG</b>		<b>YOUNG</b>	<b>OLD</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
	<b>HENS</b>	<b>TOMS</b>	<b>BREEDERS</b>		<b>TURKEYS</b>
	<b>Thousands</b>				
Head	2,332	2,834	46	1	5,213
Avg Wt	16.42	35.59	25.33	28.49	26.92
Last week	2,165	2,926	63	2	5,156
Same wk yr ago	2,520	3,280	99	10	5,909
Avg Wt	16.18	35.83	24.13	28.00	27.29
To-date/2004	76,855	113,160	2,316	311	192,642
To-date/2003	83,773	121,715	2,842	566	208,896

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** (Preliminary)

W/E 06-Nov-04	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	159,561	1,499	1,391	2,890	537
Avg Wt	5.32	3.43	8.18	5.72	6.43
Last week	160,527	1,433	1,519	2,952	480
Same wk yr ago	158,112	1,258	1,473	2,731	438
Avg Wt	5.04	3.48	8.00	5.92	6.71
To-date/2004	6,912,406	60,273	59,935	120,208	20,641
To-date/2003	6,802,899	63,789	61,966	125,755	18,250

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 162.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 161.5 million head, or 0.5 million less than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 13-Nov-04

CLASS	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	11/13/04(1)	11/06/04
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	166,356(2)	166,315
Light hens	1,595	1,557
Heavy hens	1,448	1,447
Total	169,399	169,319

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 13-Nov-04 is 159.1 million head compared to 159.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 166.7 million head or 7.6 million more than estimated available. For the week of 20-Nov-04 the estimated available is 154.1 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
October				
2	164.0	164.9	99%	5.35
9	163.6	165.1	99%	5.40
16	163.4	164.4	99%	5.46
23	164.1	163.9	100%	5.41
30	162.5	163.4	99%	5.33
November				
6	161.5	162.0	100%	5.32
Year to date	6996.4	7110.2	98%	
November				
13		159.1		
20		154.1		

**FINAL BROILER/FRYER** Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of

08-NOV-2004 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS	
Chicago	58.00-61.00	61.23	42 :	63.70	76	
Los Angeles	81.00	78.49	63 :	70.39	166	
New York	60.00-63.00	61.79	29 :	66.23	66	

**COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/ FRYERS**

	Change from			
	08-NOV-2004	01-NOV-2004	01-NOV-2004	10-NOV-2003
	67.67	-0.09	67.76	63.54

Number of loads 652

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	77.5-82	77.5	77.50	40
CENTRAL REGION 4/	77-80	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	78-80	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	75-77	76.5	76.50	40
CENTRAL REGION	75-77	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	76-78	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS** - Selected Centers (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 11/08/04	4,104	130,528	63,993
AM 11/01/04	4,173	138,953	65,304
CHG	-69	-8425	-1311
PCT CHG	-2%	-6%	-2%

**HEN MARKETS**

**HEAVY TYPE** Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 08-NOV-04

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast (1)	8.25-15 CENTS/LB.	10.5-12	11.46
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	7.75-14.5 CENTS/LB.	10-11	10.99

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

**LIGHT TYPE** Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

REGIONS	REMOVAL COST	
	RANGE	MAJORITY
05-Nov-04		
Eastern	3-8	6-8
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	0-5	

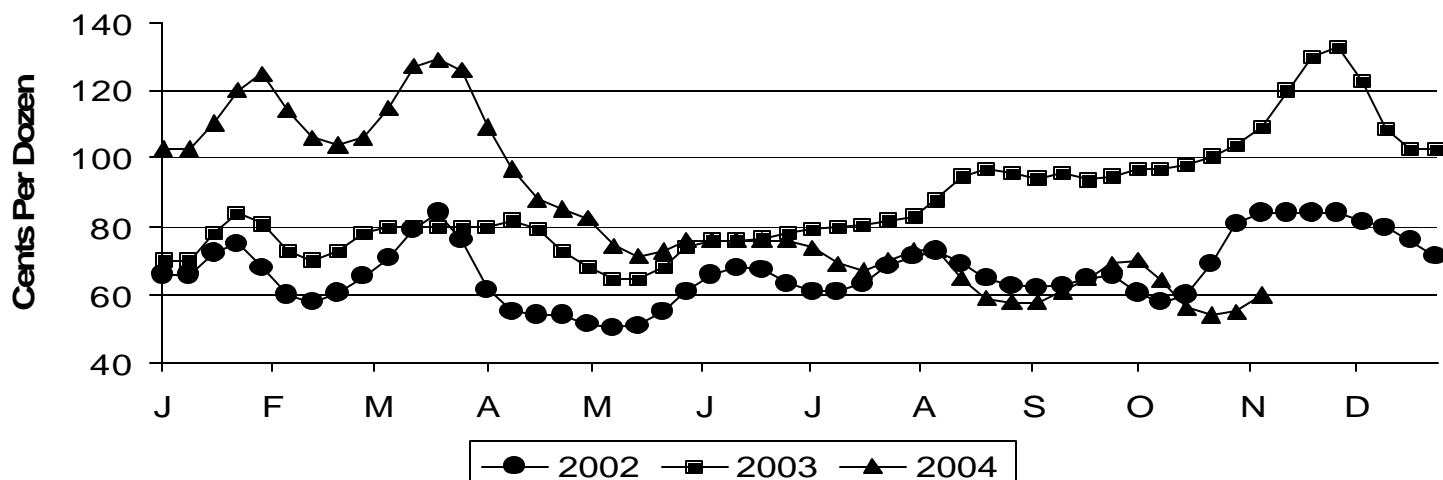
**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT**

(Receipts From Producers)

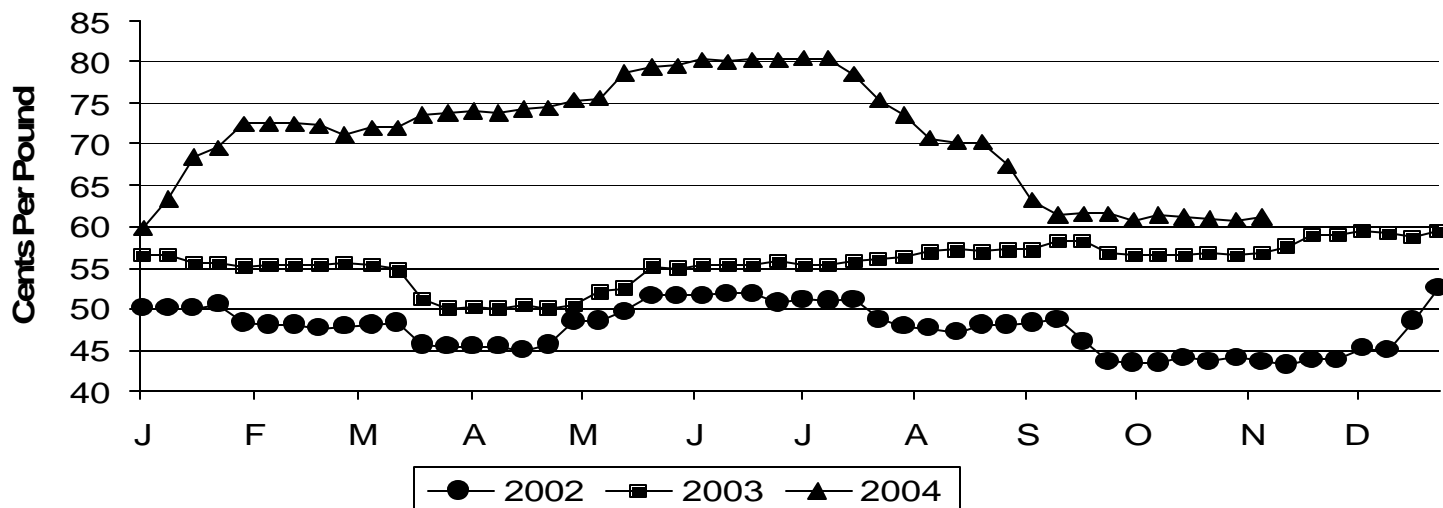
W/E 06-Nov-04	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
REGIONS		PW	LY
North Atlantic	253.6	4	13
East North Central	585.5	1	4
West North Central	300.9	4	-2
South Atlantic	222.9	1	-1
South Central	73.1	16	5
West	190.3	2	3
Total	1626.3	3	3
Matched Plants reporting		Previous week	86
		Last year	85

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)  
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)  
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)  
West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

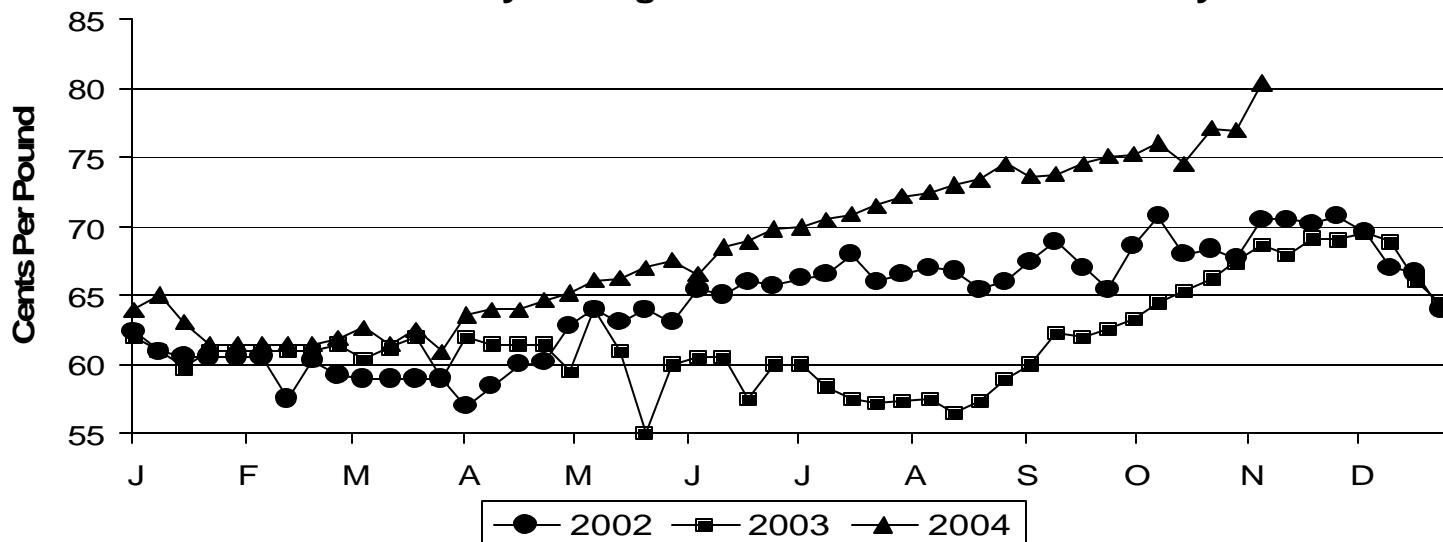
### New York Large Weekly Average Price



### Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices



### Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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